

# *the* UNEXPLAINABLE *life*

Last week, we began a new series called “The Unexplainable Life.” This series is about how the Holy Spirit can bring personal revival to your life. Last week, we introduced you to a moment in church history when God swept the Scottish island of Lewis with a revival in the late 1940s and early 1950s. This all began with two 80-year-old women in the village of Barvas who started to pray because they were burdened that there were no young people in their church. Soon, they gathered others from the church, and for weeks, they began to beg God to move in their community. Last week, we discussed Preparation for Personal Revival – that we must get back to a fear of the Lord in our lives and get back to a consciousness of the presence and authority of Christ in our lives. Today, we will talk about “The Conviction of Personal Revival.”

**Key Passage:** Ephesians 3:20

## **Discussion Questions:**

1. What events sparked the revival on the island of Lewis, and what role did prayer play in it? How can you follow the example of the two women in Barvas by praying persistently for a specific need in your life?
2. According to Ephesians 3:20, how is God described, and what does the word "able" signify? How does knowing that God is capable, powerful, and strong enough influence how you approach Him in prayer?
3. Why do we sometimes struggle to believe God wants to move in our lives? What doubts or struggles make it difficult to believe that God desires to work in your situation, and how can you address them?
4. What is the significance of the phrase “far more abundantly” in Ephesians 3:20? What “far more abundantly” prayers could you begin praying, trusting that God can do more than you imagine?
5. According to Duncan Campbell, why is expectancy essential to personal revival? How can you cultivate a spirit of expectancy, trusting that God will move?
6. How is the power of the Holy Spirit described in Ephesians 3:20? What steps can you take to activate the power of the Holy Spirit in your life, such as through prayer or surrender?
7. According to Duncan Campbell's observations, what role does prayer play in personal revival and activating God's power? How can you make prayer a more intentional part of your daily routine to fully experience God's power?
8. Why is it easy to lose faith or expectancy that God will move in our lives? In what area of your life do you need to regain faith that God can and will move, and how can you intentionally seek Him in that area?

9. How does the story of the revival in the village of Arnol demonstrate the power of prevailing prayer? What is one area in your life where you need to persist in prayer, believing that God can work a miracle?
10. What is the conviction of personal revival, and how does Ephesians 3:20 encourage us to believe that God is able? How can you remind yourself daily of the truth that God is able and desires to move in your life and your church?